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STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS BUY MORE THAN \$23 MILLION WORTH OF FISH AND WILDLIFE RESTORATION PROJECTS

How much will \$12.1 million generate in the form of recreation for fishermen, hunters, hikers, campers, boaters and other outdoorsmen?

Quite a bit when it comes in the form of Accelerated Public Works and is almost doubled by State matching funds, says the Department of the Interior.

In a report on the APW program for fish and wildlife restoration, now nearing an end, the Department says 42 States, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands are now \$23.6 million richer in recreational facilities and opportunities.

The Accelerated Public Works Act was approved by Congress in 1962 to help ease unemployment in distressed areas and provide capital improvements to serve the public.

Funds made available for fish and wildlife projects have provided employment equivalent to 2,565 men working a full year. Four hundred projects are underway or have been completed in 727 eligible areas.

Interior's Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, which administered the Federal allocations and approved all projects, listed these new facilities paid for with APW and State-matching funds:

Sixty-nine new fishing lakes with 7,121 acres of surface, 188 new waterfowl impoundments covering 6,436 acres, 1,122 small potholes created for waterfowl nesting, 512 boat launching ramps, 40 boat moorings, 757 parking areas, 504 sanitary facilities, 39 fishing piers, 192 drinking water facilities, 1,265 campsites and shelters, 900 miles of new access roads and trails.

There also are 467 miles of boundary lines and markers and 15 miles of big-game control fences on State public hunting grounds and Wildlife refuges. In addition, 336 acres of trees, 1,230 acres of

shrubs, and 8,627 acres of food were planted to improve habitat for deer, turkey, rabbits, quail, pheasants, waterfowl, and other small game.

Seventy-three existing lakes were improved for fishing, as were 426 miles of stream. The combined funds also were used to build 42 fishways, weirs, and barriers for fish management purposes.

Timber stand improvement included clearing and thinning trees on 96,585 acres and the construction of 466 miles of boundary fences and 43 miles of firebreak. A total of 188 buildings was erected to aid in managing fish and wildlife areas.

State matching funds came from a wide variety of sources: 23 percent from hunting and fishing license sales, 37 percent from general or reserved funds, 20 percent from special appropriations, 3 percent from contributions by local groups, and 17 percent from other sources, including bond issues.

A breakdown of total obligation of APW funds for fish and wildlife restoration projects by participating States follows:

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Fish and Wildlife Restoration Projects Accelerated Public Works Allocations and Obligations

AREA	ALL COSTS	FEDERAL SHARE	AREA	ALL COSTS	FEDERAL SHARE
Alabama	\$ 456,591.00	\$ 230,279.00	Nevada	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 75,000.00
Arizona	54,496.00	27, 248.00	New Hampshire	68, 250.00	34, 125.00
Arkansas	1,318,274.00	659, 137.00	New Jersey	142,000.00	71,000:00
California	818, 190.00	409,095.00	New Mexico	341,912.00	183,716.00
Colorado	281,134.00	144,087.00	New York	1, 195,000.00	597,500.00
Connecticut	233,815.00	116,907.00	North Carolina	264,785.00	139,042.50
Delaware	262,696.00	109, 598.00	North Dakota	54,638.00	27,319.00
Florida	947,050.00	473,525.00	Ohio	729,928.00	364,964.00
Georgia	124,958.00	62,479.00	Oklahoma	404,838.00	215,839.00
Guam	40,000.00	20,000.00	Pennsylvania	700,798.00	357, 120.00
Hawaii	7,000.00	3,500.00	Puerto Rico	357,855.00	178,927.00
Idaho	288,436.00	151,338.00	South Carolina	1,893,744.90	944,372.45
Illinois	1,469,280.20	777, 208.48	Temessee	268,000.00	134,000.00
Indiana	171,437.93	92,920.00	Utah	360,042.00	180,021.00
lowa	12, 550.00	6,275.00	Vermont	88,682,00	44,341.12
Kentucky	2,236,917.00	1, 181, 143.00	Virgin Islands	20,000.00	25,000.00
Louisiana	1, 137, 692.00	568,846.00	Virginia	177,000.00	88,500.00
Maine	438,049.00	266, 395.00	Washington	339,973.00	168,986.00
Maryland	95, 180.00	49,890.00	West Virginia	308,493.00	196, 175,00
Massachusetts	293,339.00	146,669.00	Wisconsin	605,242.00	289,000.00
Michigan	3, 188, 796.00	1,711,882.00	Wyoming	150, 302.00	65, 595.00
Minnesota	860,450.00	444,641.00			
Missouri	207, 278.00	103,639.00			
Nebraska	48,600.00	24,300.00	TOTALS	\$23, 643, 692.03	\$12, 161, 545, 55